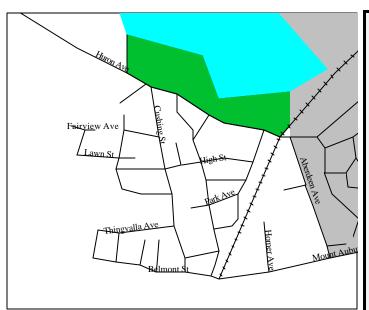
NEIGHBORHOOD 13 STRAWBERRY HILL





BOUNDARIES: bordered by Fresh Pond, Aberdeen Avenue, the Watertown line, and the Belmont line.

POPULATION: 2,335 residents

1,061 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:

\$26,368

Neighborhood #13 is encompassed within the patrol boundaries of Car 4 (2 officers) and Car 13R (1 officer). Also included are walking routes 13A and 13B.

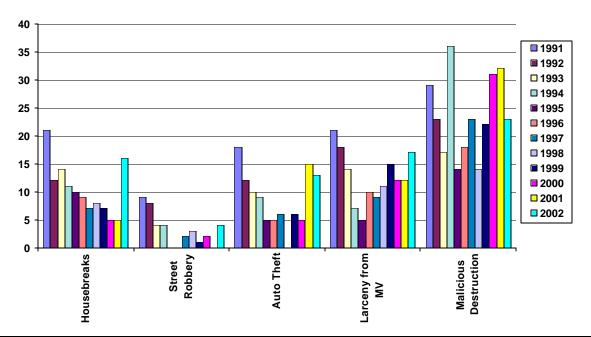
COMPARISON OF TARGET CRIME STATISTICS, 1999 - 2003								
CRIME	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003			
Housebreaks	1	1	1	2	3			
Street Robbery	0	0	0	0	1			
Auto Theft	1	0	1	1	1			
Larceny from MVs	4	6	4	2	0			
Malicious Destruction	6	6	6	3	3			
Drug Arrests	0	0	0	2	2			

A street robbery occurred at Cushing & Belmont Streets at 7:00 p.m. in early March. The perpetrator had attempted to forcefully take the victim's backpack and when the victim queried as to what he was doing, the suspect demanded the bag and fled the scene. Two of the three housebreaks were not random in nature, since an acquaintance and ex-romantic partner broke into the victims' residences. In the third incident, the victim had reported that her residence was broken into for a fourth time and the perpetrator(s) had stolen her heart medication and left the rest of her belongings untouched. A motorcycle was stolen from Holworthy Street in March, and has not been recovered to date, recording the only auto theft for the first three months. The number of reported acts of malicious destruction remained the same in 2003 as it did in 2002, each reporting three incidents. Transpiring over the same weekend, but different nights, the side view mirrors were broken off of two cars while in the third incident, a window was smashed on Lawn Street. Three people were arrested in two drug incidents. The Special Investigations Unit received information about men selling cocaine and after setting up surveillance, two men were arrested with over 100 grams of cocaine. In the second incident, a Cambridge man was arrested when drugs were found during a warrant execution.

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

With a small population, Strawberry Hill challenges Cambridge Highlands for the lowest crime rates in the city. Its citizenry includes the residents of the Corcoran Park housing development and the large apartment building at 700 Huron Avenue. Its primary commercial establishment is Star Market.

- Overall, Strawberry Hill can be considered one of the safest areas in the city. In 1995, 1996, and 2001, there were no street robberies reported, and there were only two in 2000, and one in 1999. For auto theft, larceny from motor vehicles, and malicious destruction, Strawberry Hill continually ranks lowest in the city.
- Corcoran Park has historically been a "hot spot" for the occasional **housebreak**, and for some juvenile and gang crime. Frequent "Park and Walks" address these problems.
- Cars parked at the Star Market parking lot are sometimes targeted for auto theft, larceny from motor vehicles, and malicious destruction. Yet, totals for this crime are usually extremely low, as it was in 2001 with a total of five incidents occurring at the Star Market. Several years ago, we received a number of reports of pocketpicking from this area, but this pattern has not resurfaced.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR STRAWBERRY HILL AREA TARGET CRIMES							
Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2002*		
Housebreaks	17	12	10	11	11		
Street Robbery	4	13	4	12	11		
Auto Theft	17	13	9	12	11		
Larceny from MVs	22	13	13	13	11		
Malicious Destruction	25	13	23	13	12		

^{*}Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest